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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: EXTENSIBLE COMPOSITE MEMBER AND  
METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME

Examiner: Lynda Salvatore

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9.